(*d*) what now;

(*e*) is it a fact that ply-wood can be manufactured out of hard woods—teak, rose-wood, etc. ?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):*

(*a*) The timber was given at Re. 0—8—0 per candy up to 12 vannams and Rs. 2 of and above 12 vannams.

(*b*) Now the rate is 0—5—0 per c. ft.

(*c*) The timber was given at 1¼ Seigniorage rate.

(*d*) The rate is at 0—5—0 per c. ft. to Sree Vilas Match Factory and Ply-wood Factory and 0—6—0 to Nemmara Soft-wood and Ply-wood Factory.

(*e*) Yes.

(*Note 12·7 c. ft.*=1 candy.)

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* What is the cause of this difference in the rate between these match factories and the ply-wood factory?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* One of the match factories is an older factory and there was already a contract fixing the rate for this factory that would take all the special clauses of timber suited for ply-wood matches. A new rate was applied in the case of new contracts consistent with the prevailing market rates of timber.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* When did the new practice begin?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* The old contracts have practically expired, and the minimum rates are even for all the factories at present.

TIMBER FROM FORESTS—TAKING OF—CONDITIONS REGARDING

220. Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what are the conditions or restrictions which govern the taking of timber from forests by agriculturists for agricultural purposes;

(*b*) what is the quantity that each agriculturist is allowed to take;

(*c*) does the Forest Department keep any account of the timber so taken; if so, what is the quantity taken during each of the last three years;

(*d*) who is the officer authorised to allow agriculturists to take timber?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):*

(*a*) No timber is allowed to be removed from Reserved Forests for agricultural purposes.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) No reply is required in view of reply to (*a*).

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Are there any forests other than "Reserve forests" in the management of the Government?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* There are.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Do the Government allow timber to be taken from any of these forests?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* There are village reserve forests. But they are not classified as reserved forests.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* I do not want them to be classified. I want to know whether the Government allow any agriculturists to take timber from the forests under the management of the Government?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* Village reserves are specifically constituted in for that purpose.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* What are the conditions or restrictions?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* Village reserves are not under this Department. They are under the Revenue Department.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* From the Village reserve forests are the Agriculturists allowed to take anything for the purpose of agriculture?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests):* Whatever is necessary for the agricultural implements, in the form of small timber is allowed to be taken. It is not timber in the ordinary sense of commercial timber.

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* Probably it is not called timber. There is difference between timber and this wood.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Are there any restrictions regarding the taking of this wood?

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Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* Passes are issued by the Village Officers to take such of the things as are necessary for agricultural implements.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Is there any record about these things?

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* Passes are issued. That is the record.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Have the Government received any complaint that agriculturists are not getting the benefit of the forests such as they should?

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* No. I have not received any complaint till this moment.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* In that place are there woods of girth of more than 2 or 3 feets?

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* There are. They are not timber. But these are trees grown there.

VILLAGE COURT—CHETTUPUZHA

221. Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) where is the Chettupuzha Village Court located;

(*b*) who is the owner of the building in which the court is held;

(*c*) who is the Senior Judge of the Court;

(*d*) is there any relationship between the owner of the building and the Senior Judge of the court?

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) In Arimpur in Parakad Village which is more or less the central place of the court.

(*b*) Mr. Palayur Ouseph Porinchu of Arimpur.

(*c*) Mr. Palayur Antony Devassy.

(*d*) Yes; the owner of the building is the nephew of the Senior Judge.

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഒ. തോമക്കുട്ടി: ഏതെല്ലാം വില്ലേജുകളാണ് ഈ വില്ലേജ് കോടതിയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടുന്നത്?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: അഞ്ചാറ വില്ലേജുകളും കൂടിയതാണ്. അതു ഏതാണെന്നു ഇപ്പോൾ നല്ല ഓർമ്മയില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ഏതെല്ലാം പഞ്ചായത്തുകളാണ് ഇതിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുന്നത്?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: അതു ഇപ്പോൾ ക്ലിപ്തമായി പറയുവാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഒ. തോമക്കുട്ടി: ഇതിനു ചേറുപുഴ വില്ലേജ് കോട്ട് എന്നു പേരിടുവാൻ എന്താണ് കാരണം?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ചേറുപുഴ ഒരു പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട സ്ഥലമായതുകൊണ്ടാണ് ആ പേരിട്ടതു.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* May I know whether the name of that Village Court be changed?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: പേരു വേണമെങ്കിൽ അരുമൂർ വില്ലേജ് കോട്ട് എന്നാക്കി മാറാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: അതിനേക്കാൾ നല്ലതു അയ്യന്തോൾ വില്ലേജ് കോട്ട് എന്നാക്കുകയല്ലെ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ചേറുപുഴ വില്ലേജാണ് അവിടെ പ്രധാനമായിട്ടുള്ളതു.

VILLAGE COURT JUDGE, NARAKKAL—DISPOSAL OF INTERESTED CASES

222. Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Mr. Parakkal Ittyachan Vareed is one of the Judges in the Narakkal Village Court;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that the said Mr. Vareed is the Agent or the Manager of the Catholic Alliance Bank, Narakkal;

(*c*) the exact numbers of cases filed in the said Village Court by the said Bank and in how many cases including executions, the said Mr. Vareed has sat in judgment of the same?

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